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Schauer hosts local leaders on second annual NAACP Capitol Day

Activists visit with variety of Government leaders during visit

LANSING – Sen. Mark Schauer (D-Calhoun, Jackson counties) welcomed NAACP leaders to Lansing yesterday for the second annual 19th District NAACP Capitol Day. The annual day is an opportunity for local NAACP leaders to discuss a wide range of public policy issues with leaders at levels of state government.

"It is always an honor for me to welcome local leaders to Capitol," said Schauer. "Effective and responsive government is only possible when citizens and leaders work together – and that begins with communication."

After receiving a resolution commending them for their work, NAACP leaders from Battle Creek, Jackson and Albion met with: Lieutenant Governor John Cherry; Michigan Surgeon General Kimberlydawn Wisdom; Kathy Blake, Senior Vice-President of Business Development for the Michigan Economic Development Corporation; Gail Carr of the Office of Faith Based Initiatives, State of Michigan; and Michael J. Rice of Citizens for a United Michigan.

Also Wednesday, Schauer welcomed the Jackson High School Black History Tour Group to the Senate floor. The group, led by Mrs. Shirley Pitts, performed several songs for the members of the State Senate, receiving several standing ovations for their performance.

Photos of the visit and the choir's performance can be downloaded at: www.senate.mi.gov/schauer/pr031704-1.htm; www.senate.mi.gov/schauer/pr031704-2.htm; www.senate.mi.gov/schauer/pr031704-2.htm;

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Schauer is the Senate Democratic Floor Leader. He represents the 19th Senate District, which includes all of Calhoun County and most of Jackson County.